

ANNEX I

Organization of work of the Third Committee

A. GUIDELINES CONCERNING TIME-LIMITS OF STATEMENTS

1. In accordance with rule 106 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly and paragraph 22 of General Assembly decision 34/401 on the rationalization of the procedures and organization of the General Assembly, at the beginning of each session the Chairman of the Third Committee should propose to the Committee the limitation of the time to be allowed to speakers.

2. Further to General Assembly resolutions 45/175 of 18 December 1990 and 46/140 of 17 December 1991 on the rationalization of the work of the Third Committee, statements made by delegations or on behalf of groups of delegations and by Secretariat officials, unless decided otherwise by the Committee at the beginning of the session, should not exceed 15 minutes. This time-limit will have to be applied with a degree of flexibility towards all speakers. With a view to saving time, all speakers are encouraged to exercise self-discipline, in particular delegations associated with group statements. For practical reasons, group statements are encouraged for the first day of the discussion of an item or sub-item. In this connection, it is important to emphasize the timely distribution of documentation in accordance with the rules of procedure of the Assembly, in order to enable delegations to inscribe themselves on the list of speakers at an early stage.

B. DRAFT RESOLUTIONS ON REPORTS OF TREATY BODIES AND REPORTS
OF THE SECRETARY-GENERAL ON THE STATUS OF THE TREATIES

3. Reports of all treaty bodies will be submitted to the General Assembly in accordance with their respective legislative mandates. Substantive resolutions on those reports should be adopted biennially, in accordance with the programme of work of the Third Committee. Where possible, it is recommended that separate draft resolutions on the status of the treaties should not be submitted but should be incorporated in the draft resolution relating to the report of the treaty body. In alternate years, the Committee should simply take note of the reports unless more substantive action is deemed appropriate.

C. DRAFT PROPOSALS EMANATING FROM SUBSIDIARY ORGANS OF
THE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

4. The Economic and Social Council, in transmitting draft proposals to the General Assembly, should, to the extent possible, bear in mind the programme of work of the Third Committee.

D. PROGRAMME OF WORK

5. An informal meeting of the Third Committee should be held immediately after the election of the members of its Bureau in order to consider the programme of work of the Committee based on a draft to be prepared by the Secretariat and to consider other organizational aspects relating to the Committee's work, especially the status of documentation.

6. The items allocated to the Third Committee for consideration during the fiftieth session of the General Assembly should be taken up in the following order:

- Item 2. Elimination of racism and racial discrimination 134/
- Item 3. Right of peoples to self-determination 134/
- Item 4. Social development, including questions relating to the world social situation and to youth, ageing, disabled persons and the family
- Item 5. Crime prevention and criminal justice
- Item 6. Advancement of women
- Item 7. International drug control
- Item 8. Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, questions relating to refugees, returnees and displaced persons and humanitarian questions
- Item 9. Promotion and protection of the rights of children
- Item 10. Programme of activities of the International Decade of the World's Indigenous People
- Item 11. Human rights questions 135/, 136/
 - (a) Implementation of human rights instruments;

134/ Items 2 and 3 are to be discussed jointly. Delegations may make two separate statements, i.e., one on each item, if they so wish.

135/ Sub-item (a) is to be discussed separately; sub-items (b), (c) and (d) are to be discussed jointly.

136/ Delegations may make one statement under sub-item (a) and two statements under sub-items (b), (c) and (d), but should not make two statements on any one sub-item.

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- (b) Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms;
- (c) Human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives;
- (d) Comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the Vienna Declaration and Programme of Action

Item 1. Report of the Economic and Social Council

7. This arrangement may be reviewed at the organizational meeting of the Third Committee, particularly in the light of the status of documentation at that time.

E. PREPARATION AND SUBMISSION OF DRAFT RESOLUTIONS

8. In drawing up draft resolutions, delegations are requested to adhere to the programme of work of the Third Committee as reproduced below.

9. Delegations are invited to take into account the general guidelines agreed upon in General Assembly resolutions 45/175 and 46/140 regarding the submission of draft proposals and as set out below: 137/

Item 1. Report of the Economic and Social Council

Matters calling for action by the General Assembly (Third Committee) or brought to its attention

Questions that do not fall within the purview of the other items on the agenda of the General Assembly allocated to the Third Committee

Item 2. Elimination of racism and racial discrimination

Annual

Third Decade to Combat Racism and Racial Discrimination

Report of the Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination

Status of the International Convention on the Suppression and Punishment of the Crime of Apartheid

Financial situation of the Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination

137/ References to "odd" and "even" years refer to calendar years.

Biennial

Status of the International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination (even years)

Item 3. Right of peoples to self-determination

Annual

Importance of the universal realization of the right of peoples to self-determination and of the speedy granting of independence to colonial countries and peoples for the effective guarantee and observance of human rights

Universal realization of the right of peoples to self-determination

Use of mercenaries as a means to violate human rights and to impede the exercise of the right of peoples to self-determination (to be considered biennially after the entry into force of the International Convention against the Recruitment, Use, Financing and Training of Mercenaries)

Item 4. Social development, including questions relating to the world social situation and to youth, ageing, disabled persons and the family

Annual

World social situation 138/

World Summit for Social Development (1995)

Tenth anniversary of International Youth Year (1995)

Biennial

Implementation of the Standard Rules on the Equalization of Opportunities for Persons with Disabilities and of the World Programme of Action concerning

138/ 1995 - Interim report on the world social situation and report of the Commission on Social Development.

1996 - General debate on the basis of the report of the Economic and Social Council.

1997 - Report on the world social situation and report of the Commission on Social Development.

1998 - General debate on the basis of the report of the Economic and Social Council.

Disabled Persons and the Long-term Strategy to Implement the World Programme of Action Concerning Disabled Persons to the Year 2000 and Beyond (odd years)

Implementation of the International Plan of Action on Ageing, the International Year of Older Persons (1999) and related activities (odd years)

Policies and programmes involving youth (odd years)

National experience in promoting the cooperative movement (even years)

Implementation of the Guiding Principles for Developmental Social Welfare Policies and Programmes in the Near Future (odd years)

International Year of the Family (1995; thereafter, biennially, if necessary)

Quinquennial

Anniversary of the Declaration on Social Progress and Development (1999)

International Literacy Year (1995)

Item 5. Crime prevention and criminal justice

Annual

United Nations African Institute for the Prevention of Crime and the Treatment of Offenders

Crime prevention and criminal justice

Biennial

International cooperation in combating organized crime (even years)

Quinquennial

United Nations Congress on the Prevention of Crime and the Treatment of Offenders (1995)

Item 6. Advancement of women

Annual

Implementation of the Nairobi Forward-looking Strategies for the Advancement of Women

Improvement of the status of women in the Secretariat

Fourth World Conference on Women (to 1995)

Violence against women migrant workers

Biennial

Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women (even years)

International Research and Training Institute for the Advancement of Women (odd years)

United Nations Development Fund for Women (odd years)

National experience relating to the improvement of the situation of women in rural areas (odd years)

Item 7. International drug control

Annual

Implementation of the United Nations System-Wide Action Plan on Drug Abuse Control and the Global Programme of Action against illicit production, supply, demand, trafficking and distribution of narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances

International action to combat drug abuse and illicit trafficking

Respect for the principles enshrined in the Charter of the United Nations and international law in the fight against drug abuse and illicit trafficking

United Nations International Drug Control Programme

Measures to strengthen international cooperation against the illicit production, sale, traffic and distribution of narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances and related matters

Biennial

Implementation of the United Nations Convention against Illicit Traffic in Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances (even years)

Item 8. Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, questions relating to refugees, returnees and displaced persons and humanitarian questions

Annual

Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees

Assistance to refugees, returnees and displaced persons in Africa

Comprehensive consideration and review of the problems of refugees, returnees, displaced persons and related migratory movements (1995)

Assistance to unaccompanied refugee minors (1995)

Biennial

New international humanitarian order (even years)

Quinquennial

Extension of the mandate of the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (1997)

Item 9. Promotion and protection of the rights of children

Annual

International measures for the prevention and eradication of the sale of children, child prostitution and child pornography (1995)

Protection of children affected by armed conflicts (1995)

Plight of street children (1995)

Biennial

Convention on the Rights of the Child (even years)

Report of the Committee on the Rights of the Child (even years)

Item 10. Programme of activities of the International Decade of the World's Indigenous People

Annual

International Decade of the World's Indigenous People

Biennial

United Nations Voluntary Fund for Indigenous Populations (even years)

Item 11. Human rights questions

(a) Implementation of human rights instruments

Annual

Effective implementation of international instruments on human rights, including reporting obligations under international instruments on human rights

International Convention on the Protection of the Rights of All Migrant Workers and Members of Their Families (biennially after the entry into force of the Convention)

Biennial

Report of the Committee against Torture and status of the Convention against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment (even years)

United Nations Voluntary Fund for Victims of Torture (even years)

Status of the Convention on the Prevention and Punishment of the Crime of Genocide (even years)

International Covenants on Human Rights (odd years)

(b) Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms

Annual

Alternative approaches and ways and means within the United Nations system for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms

Right to development

Elimination of all forms of religious intolerance

Respect for the principles of national sovereignty and non-interference in the internal affairs of States in their electoral processes

Enhancing the effectiveness of the principle of periodic and genuine elections

Human rights and terrorism

Strengthening of the Centre for Human Rights of the Secretariat

Declaration on the Rights of Persons Belonging to National or Ethnic, Religious and Linguistic Minorities

Strengthening of United Nations action in the field of human rights through the promotion of international cooperation and the importance of non-selectivity, impartiality and objectivity

United Nations Year for Tolerance (1995 and 1996)

United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights

Respect for universal freedom of travel and the vital importance of family reunification (1995)

United Nations Decade for Human Rights Education

Biennial

Summary or arbitrary executions (even years)

Development of public information activities in the field of human rights (even years)

Regional arrangements for the promotion and protection of human rights (even years)

Regional arrangements for the promotion and protection of human rights in the Asian and Pacific region (even years)

Question of enforced or involuntary disappearances (even years)

Human rights and extreme poverty (even years)

Human rights and mass exoduses (odd years)

Human rights in the administration of justice (odd years)

Human rights and scientific and technological progress (odd years)

National institutions for the protection and promotion of human rights (odd years)

Quinquennial

Award of human rights prizes

- (c) Human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives
- (d) Comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the Vienna Declaration and Programme of Action

Annual

Implementation of and follow-up to the Vienna Declaration and Programme of Action adopted at the World Conference on Human Rights

ANNEX II

Biennial programme of work of the Third Committee
for 1995-1996

1995 139/

Item 1. Report of the Economic and Social Council

Matters calling for action by the General Assembly (Third Committee) or brought to its attention

Documentation

Relevant chapters of the report of the Economic and Social Council on questions that do not fall within the purview of the other items on the agenda of the General Assembly allocated to the Third Committee

Item 2. Elimination of racism and racial discrimination

Documentation

Relevant chapter of the report of the Economic and Social Council

Report of the Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination (resolution 2106 A (XX))

Report of the Secretary-General on the status of the International Convention on the Suppression and Punishment of the Crime of Apartheid (resolution 3380 (XXX))

Report of the Secretary-General on the status of the International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination (resolution 2106 A (XX))

139/ The programme of work and documentation for 1995 will be revised in the light of the relevant decisions taken by the Economic and Social Council in 1995.

Report of the Secretary-General on the financial situation of the Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination (draft resolution A/C.3/49/L.3)

Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the interim report of the Special Rapporteur of the Commission on Human Rights on contemporary forms of racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance (draft resolution A/C.3/49/L.77)

Questions for consideration for which no advance documentation has been requested

Third Decade to Combat Racism and Racial Discrimination (draft resolution A/C.3/49/L.8/Rev.1)

Item 3. Right of peoples to self-determination

Documentation

Report of the Secretary-General (draft resolution A/C.3/49/L.4)

Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Special Rapporteur of the Commission on Human Rights on the question of the use of mercenaries (draft resolution A/C.3/49/L.6)

Questions for consideration for which no advance documentation has been requested

Importance of the universal realization of the right of peoples to self-determination and of the speedy granting of independence to colonial countries and peoples for the effective guarantee and observance of human rights (draft resolution A/C.3/49/L.7/Rev.1)

Item 4. Social development, including questions relating to the world social situation and to youth, ageing, disabled persons and the family 140/

Documentation

Relevant chapter of the report of the Economic and Social Council, including the final draft of the world programme of action for youth towards the year 2000 and beyond (Economic and Social Council resolution 1993/24 and draft resolution A/C.3/49/L.9/Rev.1)

Interim report on the world social situation 141/

140/ Interim report on the world social situation and the report of the Commission on Social Development.

141/ Report submitted to the General Assembly through the Economic and Social Council.

Report of the Secretary-General and of the Director-General of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization on progress made and problems encountered in the quest to achieve a literate world (resolution 46/93) 141/

Report of the World Summit for Social Development (resolution 47/92)

Report of the Secretary-General on the International Year of the Family (resolution 47/237)

Report of the Secretary-General on progress of efforts to ensure the equalization of opportunities and full inclusion of people with disabilities within the various bodies of the United Nations system (resolution 48/95)

Report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of the Standard Rules on the Equalization of Opportunities for Persons with Disabilities (resolution 48/96)

Report of the Secretary-General on a draft programme for the preparations and observance of the International Year of the Elderly (Economic and Social Council resolution 1993/22 and resolution 48/98)

Item 5. Crime prevention and criminal justice

Documentation

Relevant chapter of the report of the Economic and Social Council, including the information requested in draft resolution A/C.3/49/L.78

Report of the Ninth United Nations Congress on the Prevention of Crime and the Treatment of Offenders

Report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations African Institute for the Prevention of Crime and the Treatment of Offenders (draft resolution A/C.3/49/L.75)

Report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of draft resolution A/C.3/49/L.79

Report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of the resolution on the Naples Political Declaration and Global Action Plan against Organized Transnational Crime (A/49/606, para. 25, draft resolution IV)

Item 6. Advancement of women

Documentation

Relevant chapter of the report of the Economic and Social Council

Report of the Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women (resolution 34/180) 141/

Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Administrator of the United Nations Development Programme on the activities of the United Nations Development Fund for Women (resolution 39/125)

Report of the Secretary-General on the status of the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women (resolution 45/124)

Report of the Secretary-General on the activities of the International Research and Training Institute for the Advancement of Women (resolution 48/105 and draft resolution A/C.3/49/L.67)

Report of the Secretary-General on the improvement of the situation of women in rural areas (resolution 48/109) 141/

Report of the Fourth World Conference on Women (Economic and Social Council decision 1992/272 and draft resolution A/C.3/49/L.65)

Report of the Secretary-General on improvement of the status of women in the Secretariat (Economic and Social Council resolution 1994/6 and draft resolution A/C.3/49/L.72)

Report of the Secretary-General on the proposed merger of the International Research and Training Institute for the Advancement of Women and the United Nations Development Fund for Women (draft resolution A/C.3/49/L.64)

Report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of the Nairobi Forward-looking Strategies for the Advancement of Women and on the integration of older women in development (draft resolutions A/C.3/49/L.65 and L.66)

Report of the Secretary-General on follow-up to the Fourth World Conference on Women (draft resolution A/C.3/49/L.65)

Report of the Secretary-General on violence against women migrant workers (draft resolution A/C.3/49/L.70)

Report of the Secretary-General on traffic in women and girls (draft resolution A/C.3/49/L.71/Rev.1) 141/

Item 7. International drug control

Documentation

Relevant chapter of the report of the Economic and Social Council, including the information requested in General Assembly resolution 48/12

Report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of the Global Programme of Action (resolutions S-17/2, annex, 47/100 and draft resolution A/C.3/49/L.13/Rev.1)

Report of the Secretary-General on the System-wide Action Plan on Drug Abuse Control, including agency-specific implementation plans (resolution 47/100 and draft resolution A/C.3/49/L.13/Rev.1) 141/

Report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of draft resolution A/C.3/49/L.13/Rev.1

Item 8. Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, questions relating to refugees and displaced persons and humanitarian questions

Documentation

Relevant chapter of the report of the Economic and Social Council

Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees

Report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of the resolution on assistance to unaccompanied refugee minors (draft resolution A/C.3/49/L.17/Rev.1)

Report of the Secretary-General on the comprehensive consideration and review of the problems of refugees, returnees, displaced persons and related migratory movements (draft resolution A/C.3/49/L.18/Rev.1)

Report of the Secretary-General on the situation of refugees, returnees and displaced persons in Africa (draft resolution A/C.3/49/L.19)

Item 9. Promotion and protection of the rights of children

Documentation

Report of the Secretary-General on the protection of children in armed conflicts (draft resolution A/C.3/49/L.21/Rev.1)

Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Special Rapporteur of the Commission on Human Rights on the sale of children, child prostitution and child pornography (draft resolution A/C.3/49/L.22)

Questions for consideration for which no advance documentation has been requested

Plight of street children (draft resolution A/C.3/49/L.24)

Item 10. Programme of activities of the International Decade of the World's Indigenous People

Documentation

Report of the Secretary-General on a comprehensive programme of action for the International Decade of the World's Indigenous People (resolution 48/163 and draft resolution A/C.3/49/L.26/Rev.1)

Item 11. Human rights questions

(a) Implementation of human rights instruments

Documentation

Relevant chapter of the report of the Economic and Social Council

Report of the Human Rights Committee (resolution 2200 A (XXI)) 141/

Report of the Committee against Torture (resolution 39/46)

Report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Voluntary Fund for Victims of Torture (resolution 36/151 and draft resolution A/C.3/49/L.29)

Report of the Secretary-General on the status of the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights, the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights and the Optional Protocols to the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights (resolution 48/119)

Report of the Secretary-General on the status of the International Convention on the Protection of the Rights of All Migrant Workers and Members of Their Families (draft resolution A/C.3/49/L.28)

Report of the Secretary-General on the meeting of persons chairing treaty bodies (draft resolution A/C.3/49/L.31/Rev.1)

(b) Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms

Documentation

Relevant chapter of the report of the Economic and Social Council, including the recommendations of the Commission on Human Rights on the question of respect for universal freedom of travel and the vital importance of family reunification (draft resolution A/C.3/49/L.37)

Report of the Secretary-General on national institutions for the protection and promotion of human rights (resolution 48/134)

Report of the Secretary-General on human rights and mass exoduses (resolution 48/139)

Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights (resolution 48/141) 141/

Report of the Secretary-General on respect for the principles of national sovereignty and non-interference in the internal affairs of States in their electoral processes (draft resolution A/C.3/49/L.34)

Report of the Secretary-General on the right to development (draft resolution A/C.3/49/L.38)

Report of the Secretary-General on the establishment of a United Nations voluntary fund for victims of terrorism (draft resolution A/C.3/49/L.40)

Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the interim report of the Special Rapporteur on the elimination of all forms of religious intolerance (draft resolution A/C.3/49/L.49)

Report of the Secretary-General on strengthening the role of the United Nations in enhancing the effectiveness of periodic and genuine elections and the promotion of democratization (resolution 48/131 and draft resolution A/C.3/49/L.51/Rev.1)

Report of the Secretary-General on the effective promotion of the Declaration on the Rights of Persons Belonging to National or Ethnic, Religious and Linguistic Minorities (draft resolution A/C.3/49/L.56)

Report of the Secretary-General on a programme within the United Nations on strengthening the rule of law (draft resolution A/C.3/49/L.59/Rev.1)

Report of the Secretary-General on strengthening the Centre for Human Rights of the Secretariat (draft resolution A/C.3/49/L.60)

Questions for consideration for which no advance documentation has been requested

Internally displaced persons (resolution 48/135)

Human rights in the administration of justice (resolution 48/137)

Human rights and scientific and technological progress (resolution 48/140)

United Nations Year for Tolerance (draft resolution A/C.3/49/L.20)

United Nations Decade for Human Rights Education (draft resolution A/C.3/49/L.39/Rev.1)

(c) Human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives

Documentation

Report of the Secretary-General on the situation of human rights in Myanmar (draft resolution A/C.3/49/L.43)

Report of the Secretary-General on the role of the Centre for Human Rights of the Secretariat in assisting the Cambodian Government and people in the promotion and protection of human rights and the recommendations of the Special Rapporteur (draft resolution A/C.3/49/L.45)

Report of the Secretary-General on the situation of human rights in Kosovo (draft resolution A/C.3/49/L.58)

Report of the Secretary-General on rape and abuse of women in the areas of armed conflict in the former Yugoslavia (draft resolution A/C.3/49/L.61)

Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Special Rapporteur of the Human Rights Commission on the situation of human rights in the Republic of Bosnia and Herzegovina, the Republic of Croatia and the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia (Serbia and Montenegro) (draft resolution A/C.3/49/L.42/Rev.1)

Questions for consideration for which no advance documentation has been requested

Situation of human rights in the Sudan (draft resolution A/C.3/49/L.44)

Situation of human rights in Cuba (draft resolution A/C.3/49/L.46)

Situation of human rights and fundamental freedoms in Haiti (draft resolution A/C.3/49/L.48)

Situation of human rights in the Islamic Republic of Iran (draft resolution A/C.3/49/L.52)

Situation of human rights in Iraq (draft resolution A/C.3/49/L.53)

Situation of human rights in Rwanda (draft resolution A/C.3/49/L.62)

Situation of human rights in Afghanistan (draft resolution A/C.3/49/L.63)

(d) Comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the Vienna Declaration and Programme of Action

Documentation

Report of the Secretary-General (resolution 48/121)

Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights, including the information requested in draft resolution A/C.3/49/L.55 141/ (see item 11 (b) above)

1996

Item 1. Report of the Economic and Social Council

Matters calling for action by the General Assembly (Third Committee) or brought to its attention

Documentation

Relevant chapters of the report of the Economic and Social Council on questions that do not fall within the purview of the other items on the agenda of the General Assembly allocated to the Third Committee

Item 2. Elimination of racism and racial discrimination

Documentation

Relevant chapter of the report of the Economic and Social Council

Report of the Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination
(resolution 2106 A (XX))

Report of the Secretary-General on the status of the International
Convention on the Suppression and Punishment of the Crime of Apartheid
(resolution 3380 (XXX))

Report of the Secretary-General on the status of the International
Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination
(resolutions 2106 A (XX) and A/C.3/49/L.2)

Item 3. Right of peoples to self-determination

Item 4. Social development, including questions relating to the world social
situation and to youth, ageing, disabled persons and the family

Documentation

Relevant chapter of the report of the Economic and Social Council

Report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of the resolution on
the role of cooperatives in the light of new economic and social trends
(draft resolution A/C.3/49/L.12)

Item 5. Crime prevention and criminal justice

Documentation

Relevant chapter of the report of the Economic and Social Council

Item 6. Advancement of women

Documentation

Relevant chapter of the report of the Economic and Social Council

Report of the Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women
(resolution 34/180) 141/

Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Administrator
of the United Nations Development Programme on the activities of the United
Nations Development Fund for Women (resolution 39/125)

Report of the Secretary-General on the status of the Convention on the
Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women and on the working

methods of the Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women (resolution 45/124 and draft resolution A/C.3/49/L.68)

Item 7. International drug control

Documentation

Relevant chapter of the report of the Economic and Social Council

Report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of the United Nations Convention against Illicit Traffic in Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances (draft resolution A/C.3/49/L.13/Rev.1)

Report of the Secretary-General containing the biennial update of the United Nations System-wide Action Plan on Drug Abuse Control (resolution 48/112, sect. IV) 141/

Item 8. Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, questions relating to refugees and displaced persons and humanitarian questions

Documentation

Relevant chapter of the report of the Economic and Social Council

Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees

Report of the Secretary-General on a new international humanitarian order (draft resolution A/C.3/49/L.15)

Item 9. Promotion and protection of the rights of children

Documentation

Report of the Committee on the Rights of the Child (resolution 44/25, annex) 141/

Report of the Secretary-General on the status of the Convention on the Rights of the Child (draft resolution A/C.3/49/L.23)

Item 10. Programme of activities of the International Decade of the World's Indigenous People

Documentation

Report of the Secretary-General on the status of the United Nations Voluntary Fund for Indigenous Populations (draft resolution A/C.3/49/L.25)

Item 11. Human rights questions

(a) Implementation of human rights instruments

Documentation

Relevant chapter of the report of the Economic and Social Council

Report of the Human Rights Committee (resolution 2200 A (XXI)) 141/

Report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Voluntary Fund for Victims of Torture (resolution 36/151)

Report of the Committee against Torture (resolution 39/46)

Report of the Secretary-General on the status of the Convention against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment (draft resolution A/C.3/49/L.30)

(b) Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms

Documentation

Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights (resolution 48/141) 141/

Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Director-General of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization on the United Nations Year for Tolerance (draft resolution A/C.3/49/L.20)

Report of the Secretary-General on the development of public information activities in the field of human rights (draft resolution A/C.3/49/L.47)

Report of the Secretary-General on regional arrangements for the promotion and protection of human rights (draft resolution A/C.3/49/L.50)

Report of the Secretary-General on the question of enforced or involuntary disappearances (draft resolution A/C.3/49/L.57)

Questions for consideration for which no advance documentation has been requested

Human rights and extreme poverty (draft resolution A/C.3/49/L.33)

Alternative approaches and ways and means within the United Nations system for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms (draft resolution A/C.3/49/L.41)

(c) Human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives

- (d) Comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the Vienna Declaration and Programme of Action

Documentation

Report of the Secretary-General (resolution 48/121)

49/460. Report of the Economic and Social Council

At its 94th plenary meeting, on 23 December 1994, the General Assembly, on the recommendation of the Third Committee, 133/ took note of the relevant chapters of the report of the Economic and Social Council. 142/

142/ A/49/3, chaps. I, III (sect. B), V (sects. B, D to H and K), IX, XIV, XV and XVII. To be issued in final form as Official Records of the General Assembly, Forty-ninth Session, Supplement No. 3 (A/49/3/Rev.1).

6. Decisions adopted on the reports of the Fifth Committee

49/405. Financing of the United Nations Observer Mission in El Salvador

At its 31st plenary meeting, on 14 October 1994, the General Assembly, on the recommendation of the Fifth Committee, 143/ having considered the report of the Secretary-General on the financing of the United Nations Observer Mission in El Salvador 144/ and the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions, 145/ and expressing its concern about the lack of performance reporting for the operation since 1 December 1993:

(a) Authorized the Secretary-General to enter into commitments for the operation of the United Nations Observer Mission in El Salvador for the period ending on 30 November 1994, in the amount of 5,643,700 United States dollars gross (5,040,800 dollars net);

(b) Requested the Secretary-General to submit a performance report for the period from 1 December 1993 to 31 May 1994, as well as a response to the request made by the Advisory Committee in paragraph 13 of its report before 10 November 1994, in order to allow it to consider fully the budget for the operation.

49/413. Financing of the United Nations Disengagement Observer Force

At its 82nd plenary meeting, on 8 December 1994, the General Assembly, on the recommendation of the Fifth Committee, 146/ authorized the Secretary-General to enter into commitments for the operation of the United Nations Disengagement Observer Force for the period from 1 to 31 December 1994 in the amount of 2,678,000 United States dollars gross (2,594,000 dollars net).

49/414. Financing of the United Nations Protection Force

At its 82nd plenary meeting, on 8 December 1994, the General Assembly, on the recommendation of the Fifth Committee, 147/ authorized the Secretary-General to enter into commitments for the operation of the United Nations Protection Force for the period from 1 to 31 December 1994 in the amount of 140 million United States dollars gross (138,778,800 dollars net).

143/ A/49/503, para. 6.

144/ A/48/842/Add.1 and Corr.1.

145/ A/49/458.

146/ A/49/755, para. 6.

147/ A/49/756, para. 6.

49/415. Financing of the United Nations Operation in Somalia II

At its 82nd plenary meeting, on 8 December 1994, the General Assembly, on the recommendation of the Fifth Committee, 148/ authorized the Secretary-General to enter into commitments for the maintenance of the United Nations Operation in Somalia II for the period from 1 November to 31 December 1994 in the amount of 105,580,700 United States dollars gross (104,078,200 dollars net).

49/461. Review of the efficiency of the administrative and financial functioning of the United Nations

At its 95th plenary meeting, on 23 December 1994, the General Assembly, on the recommendation of the Fifth Committee, 149/ deferred until its resumed forty-ninth session consideration of agenda item 105, entitled "Review of the efficiency of the administrative and financial functioning of the United Nations".

49/462. Action taken on certain documents

At its 95th plenary meeting, on 23 December 1994, the General Assembly, on the recommendation of the Fifth Committee, 149/ deferred until its resumed forty-ninth session consideration of the following documents:

(a) Report of the Secretary-General on jurisdictional and procedural mechanisms for proper management of resources and funds of the United Nations; 150/

(b) Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Joint Inspection Unit entitled "Management of buildings in the United Nations system"; 151/

(c) Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Joint Inspection Unit entitled "Staff turnover and delays in recruitment (the lapse factor)"; 152/

(d) Report of the Secretary-General on the use of retirees in the United Nations Secretariat; 153/

148/ A/49/757, para. 6.

149/ A/49/820, para. 14.

150/ A/49/98 and Corr.1 and Add.1 and 2.

151/ A/49/560.

152/ A/49/564.

153/ A/C.5/49/___.

(e) Report of the Secretary-General on reforms of the administration of justice in the Secretariat; 154/

(f) Report of the Secretary-General on the modalities and costs of staff representation since 1992; 155/

(g) First report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions; 156/

(h) Report of the Secretary-General on the review of travel and related entitlements for staff members of the United Nations; 157/

(i) Report of the Secretary-General on the publications policy of the United Nations; 158/

(j) Report of the Secretary-General on office accommodation at Geneva; 159/

(k) Report of the Secretary-General on revised estimates for conference services at Vienna; 160/

(l) Report of the Secretary-General on staff assessment and the Tax Equalization Fund; 161/

(m) Report of the Secretary-General on procedures and norms for the creation, suppression, reclassification, conversion and redeployment of posts; 162/

(n) Report of the Secretary-General on special representatives, envoys and related positions; 163/

154/ A/C.5/49/___.

155/ A/C.5/49/___.

156/ Official Records of the General Assembly, Forty-ninth Session, Supplement No. 7 (A/49/7).

157/ A/C.5/48/83.

158/ A/C.5/48/10.

159/ A/C.5/48/29.

160/ A/C.5/48/24.

161/ A/48/932.

162/ A/49/339 and Corr.1.

163/ A/C.5/49/50.

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(o) Report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations telecommunications system; 164/

(p) Report of the Secretary-General on conditions of service and compensation for officials other than Secretariat officials: pension scheme for the members of the International Court of Justice; 165/

(q) Report of the Secretary-General on conditions of service and allowances of the members of the International Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of the Former Yugoslavia since 1991; 166/

(r) Report of the Secretary-General on the financing of the United Nations Iraq-Kuwait Observation Mission; 167/

(s) Report of the Secretary-General on the financing and liquidation of the United Nations Transitional Authority in Cambodia; 168/

(t) Report of the Secretary-General on the comprehensive evaluation of all aspects of administration and management of the United Nations Transitional Authority in Cambodia; 169/

(u) Report of the Secretary-General on the financing of the International Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of the Former Yugoslavia since 1991; 170/

(v) Report of the Secretary-General on the financing of the United Nations Military Liaison Team in Cambodia; 171/

(w) Report of the Secretary-General on the financing of the United Nations Observer Mission in El Salvador. 172/

164/ A/C.5/49/26.

165/ A/C.5/49/8.

166/ A/C.5/49/11.

167/ A/49/___.

168/ A/49/714.

169/ A/49/___.

170/ A/49/810.

171/ A/49/521.

172/ A/49/___.

49/463. Biennial programme of work for the Fifth Committee
for 1995-1996

At its 95th plenary meeting, on 23 December 1994, the General Assembly, on the recommendation of the Fifth Committee, 149/ in accordance with paragraph 6 of its resolution 46/220 of 20 December 1991, approved the biennial programme of work for the Fifth Committee for 1995-1996, annexed hereto.

Annex

BIENNIAL PROGRAMME OF WORK FOR THE FIFTH COMMITTEE
FOR 1995-1996

A. Programme of work for 1995

1. Financial reports and audited financial statements, and reports of the Board of Auditors
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5. Improving the financial situation of the United Nations
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8. Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations
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10. Financing of the United Nations peace-keeping operations
11. Administrative and budgetary aspects of the financing of the United Nations peace-keeping operations
12. Report of the Economic and Social Council
13. Appointments to fill vacancies in subsidiary organs and other appointments

173/ Under this item, the Committee is to consider the proposed programme budget for the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Board.

B. Programme of work for 1996

1. Financial reports and audited financial statements, and reports of the Board of Auditors
2. Review of the efficiency of the administrative and financial functioning of the United Nations
3. Programme budget for the biennium 1994-1995
4. Programme planning
5. Improving the financial situation of the United Nations
6. Programme budget for the biennium 1996-1997
7. Administrative and budgetary coordination of the United Nations with the specialized agencies and the International Atomic Energy Agency
8. Pattern of conferences
9. Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations
10. Human resource management
11. United Nations common system
12. United Nations pension system
13. Financing of the United Nations peace-keeping operations
14. Report of the Economic and Social Council
15. Appointments to fill vacancies in subsidiary organs and other appointments

49/464. Programme planning

At its 95th plenary meeting, on 23 December 1994, the General Assembly, on the recommendation of the Fifth Committee, 174/ deferred until its resumed forty-ninth session consideration of agenda item 108, entitled "Programme planning".

174/ A/49/819, para. 7.

49/465. Administrative and budgetary coordination of
the United Nations with specialized agencies
and the International Atomic Energy Agency

At its 95th plenary meeting, on 23 December 1994, the General Assembly, on the recommendation of the Fifth Committee, 175/ took note of the statistical report by the Administrative Committee on Coordination on the budgetary and financial situation of organizations of the United Nations system. 176/

49/466. Financing of the United Nations Mission
for the Referendum in Western Sahara

At its 95th plenary meeting, on 23 December 1994, the General Assembly, on the recommendation of the Fifth Committee, 177/ having considered the report of the Secretary-General on the financing of the United Nations Mission for the Referendum in Western Sahara 178/ and the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions, 179/ recalling its resolution 48/250 B of 23 June 1994, and pending its review of the updated reports of the Secretary-General 180/ and of the Advisory Committee, 181/ on the financing of the Mission:

(a) Decided to appropriate to the Special Account for the United Nations Mission for the Referendum in Western Sahara the additional amount of 2,670,350 United States dollars gross (7,850 dollars net credit) for the period ending 30 November 1994;

(b) Also decided that, in accordance with the provisions of its resolution 973 (X) of 15 December 1955, there shall be set off against the apportionment among Member States, as provided for in subparagraph (a) above, their respective share in the Tax Equalization Fund of the additional estimated staff assessment income of 2,678,200 dollars approved for the period ending 30 November 1994;

(c) Authorized the Secretary-General to enter into commitments for the maintenance of the United Nations Mission for the Referendum in Western Sahara in the amount of 6.4 million dollars gross (5,937,400 dollars net) for the period from 1 December 1994 to 31 January 1995;

175/ A/49/779, para. 5.

176/ A/49/588.

177/ A/49/808, para. 6.

178/ A/49/559.

179/ A/49/771.

180/ A/49/____.

181/ A/49/____.

(d) Also authorized the Secretary-General, on an exceptional basis, to enter into commitments for the month of January 1995 in the additional amount of 2.2 million dollars, subject to the decision of the Security Council on the deployment of the required staff for the acceleration of the work of the Identification Commission and the review by the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions;

(e) Further decided to review this question at its resumed forty-ninth session in February 1995;

(f) Approved, on an exceptional basis, the special arrangements for the United Nations Mission for the Referendum in Western Sahara with regard to the application of article IV of the Financial Regulations of the United Nations, whereby appropriations required in respect of obligations owed to Governments providing contingents and/or logistic support to the Mission shall be retained beyond the period stipulated under financial regulations 4.3 and 4.4, as set out in the annex to the present resolution.

ANNEX

Special arrangements with regard to the application of article IV of the Financial Regulations of the United Nations

1. At the end of the twelve-month period provided for in financial regulation 4.3, any unliquidated obligations of the financial period in question relating to goods supplied and services rendered by Governments for which claims have been received or which are covered by established reimbursement rates shall be transferred to accounts payable; such accounts payable shall remain recorded in the Special Account for the United Nations Mission for the Referendum in Western Sahara until payment is effected.
2. Any other unliquidated obligations of the financial period in question owed to Governments for goods supplied and services rendered, as well as other obligations owed to Governments, for which required claims have not yet been received shall remain valid for an additional period of four years following the end of the twelve-month period provided for in financial regulation 4.3.
3. Claims received during this four-year period shall be treated as provided under paragraph 1 of the present annex, if appropriate.
4. At the end of the additional four-year period, any unliquidated obligations shall be cancelled and the then remaining balance of any appropriations retained therefor shall be surrendered.

49/467. Financing of the United Nations Operation in Mozambique

At its 95th plenary meeting, on 23 December 1994, the General Assembly, on the recommendation of the Fifth Committee, 182/ recalling its resolution 48/240 B of 29 July 1994, and pending its review of the reports of the Secretary-General 183/ and of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions 184/ on the financing of the United Nations Operation in Mozambique:

(a) Authorized the Secretary-General to enter into commitments up to the amount of 25,416,300 United States dollars gross (24,656,500 dollars net), with the prior concurrence of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions, for the liquidation of the United Nations Operation in Mozambique for the period from 16 November 1994 to 31 January 1995, in addition to the amount of 25 million dollars commitment authority already granted by the General Assembly in accordance with its resolution 48/240 B;

(b) Requested the Advisory Committee to present a written report on the revised cost estimates for the liquidation phase as contained in the report of the Secretary-General 183/ as soon as possible and no later than 15 January 1995, in order to enable the General Assembly to take a decision before 31 January 1995 on the assessment of the commitment authority granted above;

(c) Requested the Secretary-General, after having recalled its request in paragraph 11 of resolution 48/240 B for a report on the liquidation phase of the United Nations Operation in Mozambique, to present a preliminary report on this issue as soon as possible to facilitate the decision of the General Assembly on the assessment referred to above.

49/468. Financing of the United Nations Mission in Haiti

At its 95th plenary meeting, on 23 December 1994, the General Assembly, on the recommendation of the Fifth Committee, 185/ recalling its resolution 48/246 of 5 April 1994, and pending its review of the report of the Secretary-General on the financing of the United Nations Mission in Haiti 186/ and the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions:

182/ A/49/817, para. 6.

183/ A/49/649 and Add.1.

184/ A/49/____.

185/ A/49/818, para. 8.

186/ A/49/318 and Add.1 and Add.1/Corr.1.

1 December 1994 to 28 February 1995 already authorized by the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions in accordance with General Assembly resolution 48/229 of 23 December 1993, subject to the extension by the Security Council of the mandate of the United Nations Mission in Haiti for the month of February 1995;

(b) Decided to apportion, as an ad hoc arrangement, the amount of 2,036,700 dollars gross (1,844,100 dollars net) among Member States for the period from 1 August 1994 to 31 January 1995 in accordance with the composition of groups set out by the General Assembly in paragraphs 3 and 4 of its resolution 43/232 of 1 March 1989, as adjusted by the Assembly in its resolutions 44/192 B of 21 December 1989, 45/269 of 27 August 1991, 46/198 A of 20 December 1991 and 47/218 A of 23 December 1992 and its decision 48/472 A of 23 December 1993, the scale of assessments for the year 1994 187/ to be applied against a portion thereof, that is, 1,693,560 dollars gross (1,533,409 dollars net), which is the amount pertaining on a pro rata basis to the period ending 31 December 1994, and the scale of assessments for the year 1995 188/ to be applied against the balance, that is, 343,140 dollars gross (310,691 dollars net), for the period from 1 to 31 January 1995, inclusive;

(c) Also decided that, in accordance with the provisions of its resolution 973 (X) of 15 December 1955, there shall be set off against the apportionment among Member States, as provided for in subparagraph (b) above, their respective share in the Tax Equalization Fund of the estimated staff assessment income of 192,600 dollars approved for the period from 1 August 1994 to 31 January 1995, inclusive; 160,151 dollars being the amount pertaining on a pro rata basis to the period ending 31 December 1994, and the balance, that is, 32,449 dollars, for the period from 1 to 31 January 1995, inclusive.

49/469. Support account for peace-keeping operations

At its 95th plenary meeting, on 23 December 1994, the General Assembly, on the recommendation of the Fifth Committee: 189/

(a) Authorized, for the period from 1 January to 30 June 1995, three hundred and forty-six established posts, including the conversion from general temporary assistance of one D-1 and one P-5 for the Peace-keeping Financing Division and one D-1 and one P-5 for the Field Missions Procurement Service, and the continuation of the remaining sixty-one general temporary assistance posts funded from the support account for peace-keeping operations in the amount of

187/ See General Assembly resolutions 46/221 A of 20 December 1991 and 48/223 A of 23 December 1993 and Assembly decision 47/456 of 23 December 1992.

188/ See General Assembly resolution 49/19 B of 23 December 1994.

189/ A/49/803, para. 5.

14,105,900 United States dollars to be used for the departments and offices as described in annex I to the report of the Secretary-General; 190/

(b) Noted that the contractual arrangements applying to staff recruited specifically for posts financed from the support account provide for rapid adjustments to any decrease in the level of resources available under the current arrangements;

(c) Authorized, for a period of six months, 86,000 dollars under general temporary assistance for the position of Special Adviser to the Secretary-General and resources, for a period of three months, for overtime (52,500 dollars), travel on official business (30,000 dollars), training (132,400 dollars) and general temporary assistance (77,900 dollars);

(d) Requested the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions to provide a full report on the management and financing of support activities for peace-keeping operations by 15 March 1995, paying particular attention to the need for operational flexibility in response to changing backstopping requirements and to the justification for overall post requirements in this area.

49/470. Relocation of Belarus and Ukraine to the group of Member States set out in paragraph 3 (c) of General Assembly resolution 43/232

At its 95th plenary meeting, on 23 December 1994, the General Assembly, on the recommendation of the Fifth Committee, 191/ decided:

(a) To consider, as an exceptional measure, any arrears of Belarus and Ukraine as at 1 January 1995 and for 1995 in the financing of peace-keeping operations as being due to conditions beyond their control and, accordingly, that the question of the applicability of Article 19 of the Charter of the United Nations related to the loss of voting rights in the General Assembly in this respect would not arise;

(b) To call upon Belarus and Ukraine to prepare during the resumed forty-ninth session of the General Assembly proposals for the treatment of their arrears concerning the financing of peace-keeping operations;

(c) To continue consideration of agenda item 132 (b) at its resumed forty-ninth session.

190/ A/49/717 and Corr.1.

191/ A/49/821, para. 7.

49/471. Financing of the International Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of the Former Yugoslavia since 1991

At its 95th plenary meeting, on 23 December 1994, the General Assembly, on the recommendation of the Fifth Committee, 192/ decided to authorize the Secretary-General to enter into commitments in the additional amount of 7 million United States dollars to allow the International Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of the Former Yugoslavia since 1991 to continue its activities until 31 March 1995, without prejudice to any decisions that the Assembly might take with regard to budgetary and administrative matters and to the mode of financing, and to resume consideration of the item before 28 February 1995.

49/472. Report of the Economic and Social Council

At its 95th plenary meeting, on 23 December 1994, the General Assembly, on the recommendation of the Fifth Committee, 193/ took note of chapters I, VI (section E), IX, XI, XII and XVII of the report of the Economic and Social Council. 53/

192/ A/49/810, para. 7.

193/ A/49/670, para. 4.

7. Decisions adopted on the reports of the Sixth Committee

49/423. Observer status of national liberation movements recognized by the Organization of African Unity and/or by the League of Arab States

At its 84th plenary meeting, on 9 December 1994, the General Assembly, on the recommendation of the Sixth Committee, 194/ and taking note of the report of the Secretary-General on observer status of national liberation movements recognized by the Organization of African Unity and/or by the League of Arab States, 195/ decided to give further consideration to this question at a future session of the General Assembly.

49/424. Request for an advisory opinion from the International Court of Justice

At its 84th plenary meeting, on 9 December 1994, the General Assembly, on the recommendation of the Sixth Committee, 196/ decided to give further consideration to the item entitled "Request for an advisory opinion from the International Court of Justice" at a future session of the General Assembly.

49/425. Review of the procedure provided for under article 11 of the statute of the Administrative Tribunal of the United Nations

At its 84th plenary meeting, on 9 December 1994, the General Assembly, on the recommendation of the Sixth Committee, 197/ and having taken note of the report of the Secretary-General, 198/ decided:

(a) To consider at its fiftieth session the deletion of article 11 of the statute of the Administrative Tribunal of the United Nations and any consequential amendments relating thereto, in the light of the progress made during its forty-ninth session on the reform of the internal system of justice in the United Nations Secretariat;

(b) To include in the provisional agenda of its fiftieth session the item entitled "Review of the procedure provided for under article 11 of the statute of the Administrative Tribunal of the United Nations".

194/ A/49/734, para. 8.

195/ A/49/325.

196/ A/49/745, para. 6.

197/ A/49/746, para. 8.

198/ A/C.6/49/2.

49/426. Question of criteria for the granting of observer status
in the General Assembly

At its 84th plenary meeting, on 9 December 1994, the General Assembly, on the recommendation of the Sixth Committee, 199/ and taking note of the oral report presented to the Sixth Committee on 25 November 1994 by the Chairman of the Working Group on the question of criteria for the granting of observer status in the General Assembly, 200/ decided that the granting of observer status in the General Assembly should in the future be confined to States and to those intergovernmental organizations whose activities cover matters of interest to the Assembly.

199/ A/49/747, para. 8.

200/ A/C.6/49/SR.40.